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TELEGRAPHIC.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 29, 1886.

Dewdney has gone to Ottawa and other points in the eastern provinces. McKay and Macdowell of Prince Albert are in this city on their way home.

The funeral of the late General John A. Logan will probably take place in Washington on Friday.

Welland's boat and shoe store on Main street, Winnipeg, was destroyed by fire this morning. Loss about \$4,000.

The Ontario elections resulted in the return of the following candidates as far as heard from:

Algoma east, Lyon, west, Comtee, Brant north, Wood, south, Hardy, Bruce south, O'Connor, centre, Dack, Brockville, Fraser, Dundas, Chatham, Durham, west, McLaughlin, Essex north, Packer, south, Balfour, Elgin east, Nairn, Glenora, Rayside, Hamilton, Gibson, Huron east, Gibson, west, Ross, Haldimand, Baxter, Kent east, Ferguson, Lambton east, Graham, west, Pardee, Lanark north, Hilliard, Lincoln, Garston, Middlesex west, Ross, north, Waters, Monck, Harcourt, Norfolk north, Freeman, Northumberland west, Field, Ottawa, Bronson, Ontario south, Dryden, north, Gould, Oxford north, Mowat, south, McKay, Parry Sound, Armstrong, Peel, Chisholm, Peterborough west, Stratton, Perth south, Ballantyne, Prince Edward, Sprague, Kenneworth, Murray, south, Dowling, Russell, Robillard, Simcoe centre, Phelps, east, Hurry, Stormont, Mack, Toronto, John Leys, Waterloo north, Snider, south, Masters, Welland, Morin, Wellington west, Allan, east, Clarke, south, Guthrie, Wentworth north, McMahon, south, Awrey, York, west, Gilmore, east, Smith, York north, Widdifield. Total 55.

Opposition—Addington, Miller, Carlton, Monk, Cardwell, Hammell, Sufferin, Stewart, Durham east, Craig, Elgin west, Ingram, Frontenac, Wilmet, Croy south, Blythe, north, Creighton, Grenville, French, Hastings east, Hudson, north, Wood, west, Ostrom, Huron south, Swanton, Halton, Kearns, Kent west, Clancy, Kingston, Metcalfe, Lanark south, Lee, London, Mordeth, Lennox, Meacham, Leeds, Preston, Middlesex east, Tooley, Muskoka, Marter, Norfolk south, Morgan, Northumberland east, Willoughby, Prescott, Evanston, Perth north, Hess, Simcoe west, Wylie, Toronto, H. E. Clarke, E. F. Clarke, Victoria east, Fell, west, Cruess. Total 32.

Ministerial majority 23, with Peterborough east and Grey west not included.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 30, 1886.

The Bulgarian deputation have arrived in London with a view to interesting Lord Iddesleigh in their cause.

Theodore McGillivray, brother of the conservative candidate for Ontario north, and Wm. Sharp were arrested at Uxbridge yesterday for bribery.

The final returns of the Ontario elections are: Ministerial—Peterborough east, Biesard; Parry Sound, Armstrong; Opposition—Grey centre, Rorke; Bruce north, Biggar; Kent west, Clancy by 1 majority; Muskoka, Marter by 178 majority. Total—Ministerial 56, opposition 33. Ministerial majority 22. Essex north is disputed.

An important meeting of the British cabinet was held yesterday. Lord Salisbury has stated that the Marquis of Hartington refuses to enter the cabinet, and intimated that if he still refused that would not give satisfactory guarantees of unionist support the government would again appeal to the country. It is now said that Chamberlain is willing that Hartington should enter the cabinet.

CALGARY, Dec. 31, 1886.

Trains very irregular. A quiet Christmas here. Thirty-two below zero here on Sunday. The passengers injured on the 23rd are recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardisty and Mr. Reecher left for Edmonton today. The latter has taken a position in the R. service.

Reported that Count Esterhazy has induced the government to take care of the Hungarian miners at Westwood this winter.

Masterman of Winnipeg has called a meeting for Monday next to consider the organization of a lodge of knaves of labor here and to organize and elect officers. The petition for him to come contained 60 signatures.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin of Dec. 17 says that the local demand for furs in that market may soon be expected to fall off, after the New Year. Lower prices for beaver may then be looked for. The last quotations for beaver are \$3.50 to \$4.00 a pound.

LOCAL.

1887.

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

No passengers out by Thursday's stage.

FIFTY below at Battleford yesterday evening.

TELEGRAPH line opened to Victoria yesterday.

INSPE. CHALMERS of G division arrived from Red Deer this week.

McLEOD BROS. have 2,000 saw logs cut for Fraser & Co. up the river.

FRANK PROVOST has 2,000 saw logs cut and skidded in the Egg lake woods for the Sturgeon river saw mill.

JAS. MARTIN of Portage la Prairie arrived by Monday's stage to take charge of the Edmonton public school for the ensuing year.

GRAHAM & STEWART sunk a well for T. Hourston to a depth of 45 feet and had to abandon it on account of quick sand, with no signs of water.

EUSTACE AND JOSEPH LEDESEUR's sleighs arrived from Lac la Biche for an outfit of goods last week. They purchased from Norris & Carey and left for home on Thursday.

THE police discovered an abandoned illicit whiskey foundry on the Stoney plain last week. The birds had flown some time previously, taking everything but the nest with them.

YOUNG, one of the men suspected of having robbed the Edmonton stage last fall, recently gave himself up in Calgary and stood a trial at which he was found not guilty on an alibi. The stage driver, who was a witness, was satisfied that he was not the man.

LAST mail brought notices from the H. B. land department to original purchasers of H. B. lots here requiring them to make the final payments, when the patents will issue to them. As the lots passed out of their hands long ago they at a loss what to do.

CHRISTMAS day was cold but calm and not unpleasant. Business generally was suspended. The day and night passed quietly, except that there was perhaps more than the usual number of drunks and fights deemed necessary to fittingly celebrate the birth of the Saviour.

McPHERSON's carts arrived on Monday from Calgary, but could not cross the river as the hills were too slippery. The freight was brought across on wagons. It was for Norris & Carey, P. Daly & Co., J. A. McDougall, Ross Bros., Stewart & Rannerman, Brown & Curry and A. Macdonald & Co.

THE increased powers conferred on the lieutenant-governor and council just previous to the last session of the council were in regard to, 1. Direct taxation within the territories in order to the raising of a revenue for territorial (including municipal) purposes. 2. The incorporation of companies with territorial objects, with the following exceptions: (a) Such companies as cannot be incorporated by a provincial legislature. (b) Railway, tramway, steamboat, canal, transportation, telegraph and telephone companies. (c) Insurance companies.

LONG MAN, who escaped from Ft. Saskatchewan on Friday morning of last week was captured on Saturday evening near Clover Bar. After leaving Ft. Saskatchewan he travelled nearly due south, stopping at Jas. Port's place at the edge of the Beaver hills to get something to eat. Leaving there he travelled several miles into the hills, using every device to throw the police off his track, and then turned and came out of the hills back of Clover Bar. The police followed his track in the snow until he got on the Ft. Saskatchewan trail when they lost it, and had to give up the chase for the night. The Indian was not far away when they gave up the search, and passed the night, a bitterly cold one, in a hay stack. On Christmas day the search was resumed in the Clover Bar settlement, but without success during the forenoon. In the afternoon, however, just after the police had left Mr. Stephens' place on the way home the Indian came in. He was suffering greatly from cold and hunger, the toes of both feet being badly frozen. Mr. Stephens gave him something to eat and sent his son to Edmonton to inform the police. They immediately started down and captured him as he was leaving the place, brought him to Edmonton for the night and took him to Fort Saskatchewan on Sunday morning. How he endured the cold of Christmas eve is a mystery. His clothing consisted of a blanket and shirt, leggings, socks and moccasins. He threw the police off his track when on the Fort Saskatchewan road by hopping on one toe at right angles to the road for about a hundred yards, leaving only a track such as a dog

might make. When the police were coming up to him he tried to frighten their horses by flapping his blanket at them, and when that was of no avail called to them to shoot. Before this escape he had several times freed himself from his shackles. Whatever may be the dusky gentleman's faults or failings, he is certainly chuck full of sand.

THE ball given by the non-commissioned officers and men of G division of police at Fort Saskatchewan on Thursday evening was a grand affair. It was given in the Palace hotel which afforded plenty of room, and neither pains nor expense were spared in any particular. All the partitions in the lower storey of the hotel were taken down to give room for dancing. The walls were decorated profusely and tastefully with evergreens, flags and the "insignia of the order," swords, bayonets, etc., arranged in the form of stars. Music was furnished by L. Gurneau and C. Henderson. Supper was served up stairs and was an excellent spread, rich and profuse, a credit to the caterer Mr. Heininck. The company was not as large as had been expected owing to the cold weather, but still upwards of 200 people were present. Dancing was commenced at 9 o'clock and was kept up until daylight. The whole affair passed off most pleasantly to the guests and creditably to their entertainers.

THERE was a good attendance at the Christmas tree entertainment at All Saints' church on the evening of Wednesday 29th inst. Refreshments were served to the children about 6 p.m. and at 7 o'clock the chair was taken by Mr. Jas. McKernan. The programme was as follows: Overture, "Moonlight and Waves" J. R. Michael; song, "Please Give Me a Penny, Sir," J. H. Vincent; instrumental duet, cornet and organ, "Eva," Messrs. Carson and Michael; song, "When You and I Were Young, Maggie," Jas. McKernan; recitation, "The Drummer Boy," Simcoe Lee; instrumental solo, "Maiden's Song," J. R. Michael; part song, "I'll Remember You, Love, in my Prayers," Messrs. McKernan, Michael and Vincent; song, "Whip-poor-will," J. R. Michael; instrumental duet, cornet and organ, "Where there's Love at Home," Messrs. Carson and Michael; recitation, "Barbara Fretchie," W. H. Carson; song, "Vacant Chair," J. R. Michael; instrumental solo, "Pearl Waltz," J. R. Michael. At the conclusion of the programme the presents were distributed, including a pocket book containing \$31 to Rev. Canon Newton, incumbent of All Saints', and a silver napkin ring, valued at \$7, to J. R. Michael organist, presented by the congregation. The proceedings were closed with prayer by Rev. Canon Newton, and the company singing "God Save the Queen." Receipts at the door \$27.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

EDMONTON RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

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C. F. STRANG,

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MANITOBA ELECTIONS.

The full reports concerning the Manitoba elections show that a very large vote independent of federal party lines was polled, that the clear majority of the Norquay government was very small, and that even this majority was due on the one hand to indefensible acts of the opposition party, and on the other to the unscrupulous manipulation of the vote by the government, in which the cloven hoof of Ottawa authority showed itself very markedly. In a house of 35 the government has only 18 straight supporters against 14 straight opponents, with 3 independents—Glass, Gellay and Drewry—for the latter though counted as a supporter of Norquay declared up to polling day that he was independent. This narrow and rather uncertain majority is a very fair guarantee that Manitoba will have as good government during the existence of the present legislature as the men composing the present ministry are capable of giving—that Mr. Norquay will be more interested for the next few sessions in furthering the interests of the province than in laying it at the feet of the power at Ottawa. The people have taken in hand to run the machine and Mr. Norquay will govern himself accordingly. What could have induced the opposition while making purity their cry against Norquay to adopt and run Biggs and Conklin it is difficult to see; but it is satisfactory to know that there were enough independent voters in Emerson and North Winnipeg to snow both under the largest majorities of the election. The frauds, too, attempted on behalf of the opposition in Springfield and St. Andrew's received a fitting rebuke. Again, the handsome majority accorded Mr. Luxton in South Winnipeg is due to a vote given to a worthy candidate, regardless of party lines and the frantic efforts of Norquay's supporters to draw these lines. If the course of the opposition cannot be commended still less can that of the government. From what took place at Gimli, at Fort Alexander and in North Dufferin it is plain that the ministry intended from the first to count if they could not vote themselves into power. In such hands the ballot instead of being a means of giving free expression to the popular will becomes a menace to popular liberty. The destruction of the ballots at Ft. Alexander and Gimli was too clumsily done to be effective, but its very clumsiness was plainly born of the knowledge that the guilty deputy returning officers would be held blameless by the authorities. In North Dufferin of all the ballots cast the opposition candidate had a majority of one, but in the count the returning officer rejected ten of his ballots as being mismarked, leaving him in a minority of nine. At a recount of the rejected ballots four of them were accepted by the judge, reducing the minority to five, but his demand for a recount of all the ballots, in which by the same rules causing his ballots to be rejected a very much larger number of his opponents' would have been, was refused by the judge. If this tampering with the ballots occurred in three constituencies as it plainly did, was it not in all probability part of a system worked in all doubtful constituencies, and may not more than two or three of the members elect owe their positions to a more skillful manipulation of the ballot slips or boxes. The means by which the member of the government representing Westbourne secured his election is on a par with that adopted by his colleague of North Dufferin. In his constituency is a band of treaty Indians, specially enfranchised for the purpose, and by their votes he obtained his seat over a majority of the votes of his proper constituents. Whatever may be Mr. Norquay's virtues or abilities, whatever may be the shortcomings of his opponents, the fact that he has upon this occasion been at least a consenting party to a prostitution of the ballot bars him out from consideration as an honest politician for all time to come,

and puts his government in a more contemptible light than it has ever yet been.

The verdict of Ontario rendered last Tuesday is creditable to the people and must be pleasing to the friends of good government and provincial rights throughout Canada. That Ontario is the best and most economically governed province of Canada is beyond doubt, and not less so that in these matters it will compare favorably with any country in the world. The late election shows that the people recognize this fact; that they do not desire change for change's sake; and that so long as a public man fulfils his duties properly so long he will be sustained by the popular vote against all opposition. It is quite possible that the good government of the past few years is due to some extent to the smallness of the government's majority and the vigor and watchfulness of the opposition; for no matter how good a government may be it can scarcely avoid demoralization when it has full control of the house. When the opposition is strong a common danger and common interest leads the government party to keep a sharp lookout on all sides and to be willing to sacrifice personal interest upon occasion for the common welfare. But when the check of a powerful opposition is withdrawn the struggle to retain power is liable to give place to a struggle to secure plunder. If Mr. Mowat continues to govern with his large majority as well as he did with the smaller one he will establish a reputation for united honor and ability such as few Canadian politicians can claim. As an answer to the strenuous attempts that have been made for the past year to stir up religious dissensions in the province the result of the 18th is most satisfactory. The barefaced and scandalous attempts to arouse Ontario against Quebec to set Protestant against Catholic have failed as it was right they should fail, utterly and completely. While Ontario is essentially British and Protestant, it is also enlightened and tolerant, thereby doing credit to its race and religion. The people live in the present for the future not for the past. They wish to live and are willing to let live. While from one end of the province to the other they are as ready to sacrifice property or life for the honor of their race and the freedom of their religion as their forefathers ever were, they are not ready in this enlightened age and without provocation to revert to measures and principles that only great provocation in a dark age could justify in their forefathers. They have given notice to the federal government, at whose instigation the agitation was commenced, that if they have quarrelled with their old friends and allies in Quebec they may make up the quarrel with them at their leisure, but that because the Quebec horse has bucked is no reason why the Ontario horse should ask to be saddled.

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OIL.

The petroleum deposits of the Athabasca as described by Prof. Bell cannot fail to have a great effect for good upon the future of the North-West in general and this town and district in particular. It was formerly supposed that these deposits only existed on the Athabasca some forty or fifty miles below McMurray and about 350 north of Edmonton, and that as a stretch of un-navigable river extended from McMurray 80 miles up to the Grand Rapid there was no chance of their being utilized until a railroad was built to them, which in the natural course of events could not be for very many years. It now appears that only 30 miles from Grand rapid around the great bend of the river, only 25 miles in a direct line, and not more than 10 miles further north than the Grand rapid, is struck the petroleum bed which visibly extends for nearly 150 miles along the river without a break—the most extensive deposit in the known world, except perhaps the similar deposit on the shores of the Caspian sea in Russia. Prof. Bell's report on the geology of the country gives no reason to suppose that the point where the petroleum bed is first exposed by the deepening channel of the river is its southernmost extension. On the contrary there is nothing to indicate that the deposit may not extend southward to Lac la Biche or even farther. At any rate there is more than a probability that a well sunk just above the Grand rapid would strike the petroleum bed at a depth of not more than 400 feet. Prof. Bell remarks that the most likely place to strike a good flow of oil is not necessarily where there are surface indications. From Grand rapid there is 125 miles of good steamboat navigation to Athabasca Landing, from where 90 miles of haul over the present wagon road would bring the oil to the banks of the Saskatchewan at Edmonton, the distributing point for northern Alberta. From Edmonton at a nominal cost it could be distributed along both banks of the Saskatchewan—good agricultural country for 500 miles—to Prince Albert, or even taken to Winnipeg by water. At present the petroleum used in the settlements of Edmonton, Battleford and Prince Albert on the Saskatchewan is brought by rail over 2,000 miles from Pennsylvania and Ontario, and then hauled in carts or wagons across country 200 or 250 miles; so that in the matter of transport over present routes the Athabasca oil would be on at least an equal footing at these points with the eastern product. Of course as soon as a railroad reached the Saskatchewan at either Battleford or Prince Albert the Athabasca oil would be at a disadvantage there; but on the other hand if the work of development were once commenced no doubt the first railroad to touch the Saskatchewan would do so at Edmonton and would not stop short of Athabasca Landing, which would at once give the Athabasca oil the advantage throughout the North-West and British Columbia, if not all along the Pacific Coast. Of course oil may, and it is to be hoped it will, be found nearer Edmonton than the rapids of the Athabasca, even in the immediate vicinity as there are good indications, but it will never be known as long as it lasts how large the supply in such a discovery is; while it would be the more valuable to well-owners on that account it would be less so to the country than the Athabasca deposit, which is plainly inexhaustible. If the oil field does not extend south to the Grand rapid the expense of transporting the oil by pipe or otherwise over the short distance that can only intervene will not be great, but will be great enough to defer development until the demand is greater than at present; while if oil can be struck no matter how short a distance this side of the Grand rapid there is no reason why development should not commence at once in a small way. In view of the importance of the trade awaiting development, would it be too much to ask the government to assist in sinking a test well this side of the rapids? Whether development is commenced sooner or later it is clear that as the coal fields of Alberta may be relied on to supply the North-West with fuel for all coming ages, so the petroleum deposits of the Athabasca country may be relied on to furnish light for an equal period.

In view of the almost successful escape of Lone Man from Fort Saskatchewan last week it is in order to enquire why was the session of the court held here on November 23rd allowed to pass without his being brought to trial; or if this is not the proper place for his trial why has he not been sent to where he should be tried before now. He was taken in custody about the middle of October when there was plenty of suitable weather for transporting him to any part of the territories that might be necessary. It is a gross injustice to any man, white or red, to hold him in jail longer than is absolutely necessary to bring him to trial; and it is as great an injustice to the police who have to guard him, and to the people who have to pay for his keep as well. If it is not intended to punish him—for the administration of law in the North-West seems to depend rather upon political effect than strict justice—why not let him go at once and end the matter? Or if he

is to be punished why prolong the suspense on his part and expense on the part of the public?

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JASPER HOUSE, north side of Main street. The only brick building in Edmonton. First-class weekly and daily board at reasonable rates. Good stabling in connection. J. GOODRIDGE, Proprietor.

ROYAL HOTEL, REILLY & MARTIN, Proprietors. The Royal still continues to be the leading hotel in Calgary and no expense or pains on the part of the proprietors will be spared to keep it so. Table First-Class. Public patronage respectfully solicited.

EDMONTON HOTEL the pioneer house of entertainment west of Portage la Prairie. An extensive addition has been made to this establishment which now offers superior accommodation to my old patrons and the travelling public. A first-class billiard room Good stabling attached. DONALD ROSS Proprietor.

BUSINESS.

P. BYRNES—Boots and Shoes made to order. Main Street Edmonton. Opposite BULLETIN office.

NEW BLACKSMITH SHOP—Near Norris & Carey's store, Edmonton. Horseshoeing and General Jobbing. Terms cash. EDMUND LYONS.

LIVERY, FEED, and SALE STABLES. Potatoes, Oats, and all kinds of Feed kept constantly on hand for sale. M. McCAULEY, Main Street, Edmonton.

W. R. R., WATCHMAKER.

Send your watches and orders to W. R. Roberts, Calgary, or leave them at the Jasper House, Edmonton.

ROSS BROS., Tinsmiths, manufacturers of all kinds of tin, sheet iron and copper wares. Shop in new building next to J. A. McDougall & Co., Main street, Edmonton.

SANDERSON & LOOBY, General Blacksmiths. Horseshoeing a specialty. All kinds of repairing done neatly and quickly. Shop on Main street, Edmonton.

PATTON & WILSON—Plain and Fancy Painting, Sign Writing, Paper Hanging, Kalsomining and Carriage Painting. Satisfaction guaranteed.
W. PATTON. W. WILSON.

MONEY TO LOAN.

The undersigned has a limited amount of money to loan on good security.
GEO. A. WATSON.

JAMES McDONALD, Builder and Contractor. Sash and doors on hand and made to order. Plans and estimates of buildings furnished. Everything done with neatness and dispatch. Office and shop, Main st. Edmonton.

JUST ARRIVED, Direct from the Manufacturers, the finest and most extensive stock of FURNITURE ever offered for sale in Edmonton. Bedsteads, Sideboards, Spring Beds, Washstands, Wool Mattresses, Tables, Chairs, etc., which will be sold at bottom prices for cash. J. M. J. J. J.

\$10 REWARD.—Lost about the 1st of September from M. Galbraith's place in rear of town a Black Mare branded with a bar "U" on left shoulder—North-West Cattle Co's brand—and another brand—a triangle "P" on the left hip. When lost had a long rope on neck. Finder is requested to leave information as to whereabouts at the BULLETIN office, or on returning to the undersigned at Ft. Saskatchewan, will receive the above reward. B. E. STEELE.

BELMONT SCHOOL.

Honor roll for December:

CLASS IV.—1st Nina McKay, 2nd Peter Berwick, 3rd Colin Lennie, 4th Willie McKay.

CLASS III., senior.—1st Henry Kirkness, 2nd John McLeod, 3rd Albert Fraser, 4th Simon Borwick.

CLASS III., junior.—1st Jas. Kernohan, 2nd Louie Kernohan, 3rd Lizzie Gullion, 4th Christina McKay.

CLASS II., senior.—1st Geo. Kernohan, 2nd Maggie McLeod, 3rd John Coleman, 4th Isabel Gullion.

CLASS II., junior.—1st Caroline Gullion, 2nd Flora Fraser, 3rd Maggie Fraser.

CLASS I.—1st Lottie Coleman, 2nd James Gullion.

Average attendance 18; number on roll 29. School will not re-open until Monday Jan'y 17th.

J. B. STEELE, Teacher.

The Toronto Weekly Mail of Dec. 16th publishes on its agricultural page a full column notice of lands for sale on the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern railway in Iowa, Minnesota and Dakota. The article is headed in large type, "The Great North-West," "North-Western Iowa," "South-eastern Minnesota," "Dakota," "Etc., Etc." It is set as reading matter, and will by the ordinary reader be taken—as the advertiser intends it shall be taken—as an opinion of the Mail's agricultural editor on the merits of the lands advertised. It is needless to say that the description of the lands and country is as extravagant and regardless of truth as paper and ink will allow. Time was, not many years ago, when many Ontario papers accepted advertisements of United States lands, but patriotic feeling or very shame has led them to do differently of late. It was left for the Mail—the organ of ultra patriotism—to give not only the use of its super loyal columns but its very reputation as a loyalist for a consideration to a land enterprise in every particular contrary to the interests of the country which supports it and which it professes to support. Some time ago the BULLETIN called attention to the fact that emigrant passages to Dakota over the C. P. R. were being advertised in Ottawa at the very time parliament was sitting and members declaring there was no emigration to the States; and still later that government agents in Winnipeg were pursuing a course favoring Dakota as against the North-West, but this advertisement of the Mail's caps the climax. Its brazen assurance is enough to take away the breath. It shows that it is high time for the people of the North-West to assert themselves—that if they consent to tie themselves to the Mail's chariot its wheels will crush them in the mire.

A number of Victoria people spent the Christmas holidays in Edmonton. Traders are more numerous than usual this winter at Victoria and Whitefish lake. At Victoria Mr. Tupper has started a large store, taking in goods from Calgary direct by way of Beaver lake. There are besides trading for various parties in Edmonton, Edward Anderson, J. Favel, Jr., L. Thompson, Simon McGilivray, and Job and Louis Hawk. At Whitefish lake Mr. Tupper has a branch store, also the H. B. Co. and P. Pruden of Lac la Ploche, J. Favel, senior, and C. Fraser of Edmonton. There is a very good catch of fur, mink being especially plentiful and also red fox, with a less number of lynx, wolf, beaver and fisher. Otter, martin and rats are scarce. Prices paid in trade are, mink 50c to 75c, coyote \$1, lynx \$2, fisher \$7, beaver \$3.50. J. Erasmus recently killed a beautiful jet black wolf, having only a few white hairs on the breast. The skin was sold for \$7. A Whitefish lake Indian lately shot five deer out of a band of six, and at last accounts was on the track of a larger band. The Indians around Victoria are drawing daily rations.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Weather report for week ending Friday evening, Dec. 31st, 1886. Reported for the BULLETIN by Mr. Alexander Taylor, observer at Edmonton.

	Max	Min.
Saturday,	—17	—38
Sunday,	12	—28
Monday,	9	—6
Tuesday,	8	—17
Wednesday,	—3	—31
Thursday,	—9	—27
Friday,	—7	—32

NIGHT SCHOOL.

A meeting will be held in the Poplars on Tuesday evening the 4th of Jan. at 7:30, to discuss the formation of a night school. If a sufficient number of pupils present themselves a school will be formed at once.

Terms: \$10 for 2 lessons a week for a course of 12 weeks.

Subjects: Reading, writing, arithmetic, especially commercial arithmetic, book-keeping, business correspondence etc.

C. A. ROBERTSON, A. S. BAIRD.

THE EMIGRANT.

Illustrated journal, fresh subjects monthly, curious and valuable facts; plain truths of the North-West. Take it yourself or for friend abroad, and help our settlement; circulates in Britain and all over Canada. Splendid medium for land sellers. One dollar a year; specimens free. Address THE EMIGRANT, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

J. A. CARMAN, Publisher and Proprietor.

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About \$2,000 worth of splendid prizes given free to subscribers.

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A Chatham Wagon.

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105 of our Handsome Premiums, making

110 SPLENDID PRIZES. 110.

See the Grand Prize List in the Weekly Free Press.

Every subscriber on our subscription list on the 1st day of February next and whose last payment was for not less than one whole year, will participate in the Great Prize Drawing and have a chance of securing one of the magnificent premiums offered.

How to SUBSCRIBE.

Enclose \$2 in registered letter (writing in a plain hand the name of subscriber and post office) and address to

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H. W. McKENNY,

GENERAL MERCHANT,

SAINT ALBERT,

Begs to announce to the public that he has just brought in an

IMMENSE STOCK OF GOODS

Which he offers at

WHOLESALE & RETAIL AT LOWEST LIVING PRICES.

A full stock of

CHOICE GROCERIES,

CLOTHING,

BOOTS & SHOES,

DRY GOODS,

CROCKERY, ETC.,

Is now shown.

TERMS CASH.

Call and examine.

H. W. McKENNY.

NEW STORE.

AT CLOVER BAR

You can now purchase anything and everything from a Needle to a Pig.

I have opened a General Store in the Edmonton and Saskatchewan Land Coy's Dwelling House, where I am prepared to sell for

CASH, AT THE LOWEST EDMONTON PRICES

Remember, Strictly for Cash.

ST. GEO. JELLETT.

NOTICE.

All parties indebted to the estate of the late Wm. Lennie are requested to call and settle with the undersigned,

T. HOURSTON.

BED ROCK STRUCK AT LAST.

GREAT REDUCTION

In the price of goods at

JOHN A. McDOUGALL'S.

Splendid bargains in

Boy's Suits,

Men's Canadian Tweed Pants,

Shirts and Drawers of all kinds,

Collars and Neck Ties, in all the latest

styles,

Carpets at Winnipeg Prices,

Flannels of all kinds,

Halifax and Canadian Tweeds,

Dress Goods, the finest lot and cheap-

est in town,

Ribbons of every shade and best quali-

ty.

Groceries and Hardware,

Tinware and Coal Oil.

CALL AND SEE—No trouble to show goods.

JOHN A. McDOUGALL.

More goods to arrive next week.

MARCH 18TH, 1886.

DRY LUMBER.

D. R. FRASER & Co.

Wish to inform the public that they have on hand and for sale a large quantity of Dried Lumber, comprising Matched, Dressed, and Undressed.

Dressed Flooring, per M, \$40.00

Undressed " 30.00

Dressed siding 40.00

Ship Lap Siding, Dressed 35.00

" " Undressed 30.00

Stock Lumber, Undressed 25.00

Sheeting Lumber 30.00

Culls 15.00

Dimension Lumber, over 16 ft., extra 20.00

Fence Pickets, undressed, 3 ft. long,

per 100 3.50

" dressed and pointed 4.00

Lath, per bundle of 100 .75

Shingles, per M 4.00

Spruce timber, 8x8, for sills, per L. ft. .10

" 10x10, " " .12 1/2

DOORS & SASH made to order and kept on hand.

TURNING Iron or Wood.

Balusters, Newel Posts, Table Legs, etc. etc., kept on hand.

Mouldings, Wall Heads, Bases, Casings, Window Frames.

We are prepared to contract for buildings as cheap or cheaper than any other firm in the North-West.

FLOUR.

XXX \$3.00

XXXX 4.00

Bran, per 100 lbs \$1, per ton 16.00

Shorts, per 100 lbs \$1.25, per ton 20.00

Chopped Barley per 100 lbs 2.00

Terms Cash, or its Equivalent in Grain.

D. R. FRASER & CO.

CHURCHES.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—Hours of Sunday service: All-Saints 11 a.m., St. Michael's 6.30 p.m. W.N.

ST. JOACHIM'S, R. C. CHURCH, Edmonton.—Mass at 10 a.m. every Sunday, Sermon in English and Cree. Afternoon services at 3 o'clock. H. GRANDIN, O.M.I.

METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA. J. H. Howard, Pastor. Hours of service, 11 a.m. and 7.00 p.m. Sabbath school, 2.30 p.m. Prayer meeting and lecture, Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

EDMONTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Pastor, the Rev. Andrew R. Baird, M.A., B.D. Sabbath services at Edmonton: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Sabbath school at 2 p.m. Belmont: Jan. 9, 23; Feb. 6, 20; March 6, 20; April 3, 17. Sturgeon: Jan. 2, 30; Feb. 27; March 27; April 24. Clover Bar: Jan. 16; Feb. 13; March 13; April 10. Fort Saskatchewan: Jan. 9; Feb. 6; March 6; April 3. No morning service at Edmonton on the days when there is service at Fort Saskatchewan.

KELLY'S RESTAURANT.—In rear of saloon. Meals at all hours. Best table in town.

NOTICE.

Parties indebted to the undersigned are requested to pay up before the 11th of January, 1887; and all having claims against the same are requested to lodge them with Douglas Petrie, Fraser Avenue, before that date.

JOHNSTONE, PETRIE & CO'Y.

\$5.00 REWARD.

Strayed from the vicinity of town one Spotted Cow, "house" based on left hip. Information as to her whereabouts left at the BULLETIN office will be paid for as above.

Edmonton, Nov. 11th, 1886.

A. A. MITCHELL.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.

One Thorough-bred Berkshire Boar, two years old. One high grade Bull eighteen months old.

GEO. A. SIMPSON.

Fairholme, 10th Nov., 1886.

NOTICE.

As a public cemetery has been secured notice is hereby given that no more graves will be opened for interment in the burying ground at the Methodist church.

Dated at Edmonton this 23rd day of November, 1886.

JOHN H. HOWARD.

FARMERS & OTHERS in want of Agricultural Implements will find it to their advantage to call on the undersigned, who has a stock of Plows, Harrows, Mowers, Rakes and seeders on hand. Orders taken for the Best Light All-Steel Binder in the world. Twine, etc. To arrive, a car load of Farm Wagons and Buck-boards.

Town lots for sale in Edmonton and Ft. Saskatchewan well situated for business and private residence. Enquire of the undersigned.

W. S. ROBERTSON, Real Estate and Manufacturers' Agent.

NOTICE.

The Board of Directors of the Edmonton Agricultural Association, desiring to secure the best samples of grain grown in the country this year have decided to offer the following prizes:

Best bag of Red Fife Wheat	\$8.00
" " White " "	8.00
" " Black Oats	8.00
" " White " "	8.00
" " Six Rowed Barley	8.00
" " Two " "	8.00

No entry fee. Competition open to all.

CONDITIONS:

The grain to be free from all foul seeds and to be pure in its class; To become the property of the Edmonton Agricultural Association; To be delivered into the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer before the 15th day of January, 1887. Entries can be made with the Secretary any time after the appearing of this notice. The judges will take into consideration the weight, color and size of berry.

JOHN H. HOWARD, Secretary-Treasurer.